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Board of Elections Certifies Anker's Election in 6th District

New Legislator Is Sworn In and Immediately Gets to Work



HAUPPAUGE, NY, APRIL 12, 2011 – The Suffolk County Legislature got a new member Tuesday as the election of Sixth District Legislator Sarah Anker was officially certified by the Board of Elections and she was immediately sworn in by County Clerk Judy Pascale. The final results of the special election held March 29 were 3,578 votes for Legislator Anker and 3,407 for her opponent.

“I am honored by the support the people of the Sixth Legislative District have shown by electing me to represent them in the Suffolk County Legislature,” said Legislator Anker. “I promise to represent all our residents with energy, integrity and transparency and I will fight to insure that all our residents have full access to all county services that they deserve.”

There will be a ceremonial swearing in at the Legislature’s April 26 meeting in Riverhead, and Legislator Anker invited her constituents to attend. Legislator Anker is using the same office that Legislator Dan Losquadro used, and she welcomed constituents to stop in to air their views on any issue or to get the help they need to access county services.

“We have been without a representative in the County Legislature for more than three months and I can’t wait to get started so I can make sure residents of the Sixth Legislative District have the strong voice in the Legislature that they expect and deserve,” said Legislator Anker. “I will hit the ground running!”

“I will continue to be an advocate on environmental and health issues. I will be a cosponsor of legislation proposed by Presiding Officer William Lindsay that would ban the use of coal-tar based sealcoat in Suffolk County.” The use of such sealcoat, which is loaded with the known carcinogen polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon, has been linked to serious environmental and human health threats.

“I will continue to battle to hold the line on taxes and will support Legislator Jon Cooper’s legislation that would set a 2% cap on county spending increases,” Legislator Anker continued.

Legislator Anker also said she will hold weekend meetings at various locations throughout the Sixth Legislative District to hear the views of citizens from every community.

“It is my honor to welcome Sarah Anker to the Suffolk County Legislature,” said Presiding Officer William J. Lindsay. “The residents of the Sixth Legislative District now have a strong and knowledgeable leader to be their representative in the Suffolk County Legislature.”